IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE e Application of:

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) ABRASION-RESISTANT HOSE

Art Unit 3754

) Examiner Brinson, Patrick F.

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Trademarks P.O. Box 1451 Alexandria, VA 22313-1451 Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated March 28, 2007.

Applicant elects to prosecute claims 1-51, each directed to a hose. Applicant respectively submits that claim 73-78, also drawn to a hose, should be examined with claims 1-51. While these claims are not identical, there is overlap in the structure such that the search with respect to the hose in claims 1-51 should be the same as the search for the subject matter of claims 73-78.

Applicant further states that the search with respect to the claims directed to the hose would be the same as the search with respect to the method for making a hose, which is the subject matter of claims 52-72.

> 37 CFR 1.8 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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The election with respect to claims 1-51 is made with traverse in light of the above.

Withdrawal of the restriction requirement, at least with respect to claims 73-78, and preferably with respect to all claims, and an early and favorable action on merits are requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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